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"Thanks Vince and, please remember your promise
about deals with Norman George....."



"NO WAY!"

Angry, frightened and wary Atiuan CIP's were still
fearful of political wheeling and dealing among the
elected members. After a weekend of mounting worry,
faith still held that Vincent Ingram (above) would
honour his pre-election pledges but the big question
was...."would Mariri Paratainga (right) honour his?"

WE WANT NO DEALS

(Mariri! Join government...as you promised to!)



ARRIVEDERCI,
ROMA.....
... GENEVA... COSTA
RICA... OTTAWA...
LAPPLAND... MARS!

A night in despair, terror and relief.
AND...the scandalous actions of an MP!

ATIU

DREAMS BACKBENCHED!

Editorial

GRACELESS ATIU

Chief Administration Officer Meotaua Boaza is one of Atiu's natural gentlemen.

He is kind, good-natured, a skilled and hard-working planter and an Atiuan who has given his life to his island.

He would be one of the first on the sports field to acknowledge the old adage that, in competition, there are only two lasting objectives...to win with grace or to lose with dignity.

It is saddening, therefore, to find Mr. Boaza and his family dragged by the power-hungry bosses of Atiu into as squalid a display of gracelessness in losing as has been witnessed in recent political times.

The catalogue of demeaning behaviour began almost from the moment the polls closed on Thursday evening when catcalls and jeers from Coalition supporters greeted late returning CIP's.

It continued the next day when Atiu public service, Coalition virt-

ually to a man and woman, proceeded to take the day off for a picnic.

It proceeded through a rather sordid series of spectacles which included ex-Minister Norman George and his aide Tepou Boaza flying out with hardly a backward glance at the island desperately needing its leaders' hands of peace and harmony for at least the weekend.

It included the reported statement by Norman George upon departure, not that (in Pupuke Robati's generous words) "the other side won" but the outrageously

provocative and false statement that the election was "a draw".

It concluded on the first post-election day with the sight at the airport of heavily drunk Coalition public servants plus, equally drunk, at least one high public and traditional leader.

The next 48 hours, however, capped the lot as rumours rapidly circulated the island that "the people" had drawn up a petition to keep Mr. Boaza on as CAO.

The "people", of course, were the Coalitionists' leaders.. yet again failing in their duty to educate the people (and Mr. Boaza) to the fact that the CAO is responsible to the Government of the day NOT to some local "people's group".

His proper, dignified task is to maintain an efficient Public Service and tender his resignation gracefully to the incoming government.

That is the way of all political appointments in the CIs. and everywhere else in the world.

Above all, the Public Servants of Atiu must be assured that their administrative head is acting at all times in the interests of government NOT

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SERVICE

a section of the community.

In the whole shoddy, bad-loser affair, however, mention was made by many of the continued presence on Atiu of Teenui/Mapumai MP Mariri Paratainga whose visible conduct involved many a reasonably cheery wave to all, regardless of party, and a brief glimpse of proper leadership.



Meotaua Boaza

AND SO

ELECTION

89 ✓

SCENE:

3rd chemmy table on the left,
Third World Gaming House,
St. Tropez.

Assorted Emergent Nation diplomats
in sweaty safari suits clutching
assorted sweaty Bangkok bathgirls.

The Minister wipes his fevered brow
and calls for the manager to bring
more chips in exchange for the 1997
Gross Domestic Product.

Manager: There's an urgent call
from Raro, minister!

Minister: Tell them I'm in the
middle of vital negotia-
tions!

Manager: They say it's all over,
Minister!

Minister: What's all over?

Manager: You lost.

Minister: A minor problem.
We'll sort out an-
other coalition.
Ring around a bit
and set up a meeting
for Geneva tomorrow
night. And get Luigi
to set up some elec-
toral petitions.

Manager: Very good, Minister.
Incidentally, the GDP
for 1997's no good.
You gave it to the
girl at the baccarat
table this morning.

Minister: What about 1998?

Manager: It all went on black
impair just after
lunch. In fact,
you've run out until
2006, actually.

Minister: In that case, how
much would you take
for Takuvaïne?
Great potential
bomb testing site!

"No, but seriously"

END OF A BITTER CAMPAIGN

Polling night. Half-
past six. And cold,
damp and wet and
DRY!! Boozeeless, electi-
on-day dry.

The CIP's were trickling
along the pathways
to Teenui/Mapumai can-
didate Teariki Simiona's
place.

Trucks, cars and the
government pick-ups
gathered in the Coalit-
ion supporters on the ot-
her side of town.

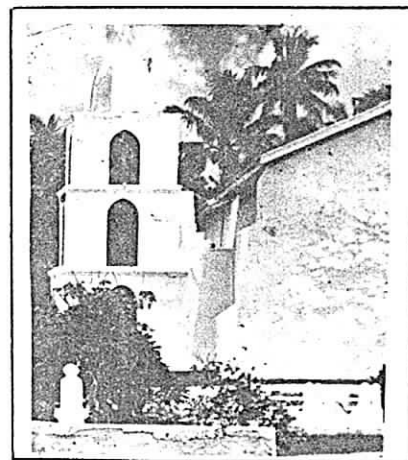
By this time, CInews
containing the JOURNAL's
endorsement of the CIP
had been discussed.

We felt a lot safer
at Teariki Simiona's
place!

We're lucky in Teenui/
Mapumai. Papa Ma, the
Coalitionist, is a rare
one - a true Man of the
People, lifetime Atiuian,
blustering, bullying,
infuriating...but hard-
working and deep-down
a man who cares about
humans. He's also had a
fairly mild dose of
coalition radiation, ju-
st lightly contaminated!

Teariki Simiona, by
contrast, is offers a
pure gentleman's approa-
ch...intellectual, reti-
ring, courteous. After
nearly 30 years away and
as the son of a former

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Even Atiu's CICC church
(above) became dragged
into the hostility,
bitterness and antagoni-
sm which characterised
Atiu in the year pre-
ceding the 1989 General
Election....an ultimate
irony for an island com-
mitted to the "peace and
harmony" policy vaunted
by Coalition publicity.

Demo minister, he brings in a fair few negatives to his campaign.

The positives he offers are superb... just what Atiu needs. But they are the positives of a NZ campaign, where he learnt his politics.

He spends hours in his study, poring over the JOURNAL's welfare and income target figures.

He analyses. Notes. Plans. He's very thorough. He needs to be! The campaign has cost him already 11 grand out of his initial \$13000 budget!

It's a lot of personal money to write off and he's been diligent in his pursuit of discussion with the voter.

Papa Ma sit on his verandah and waits for the voter to bring him his troubles. He drops in on houses and asks if they want any help.

Papa Teariki makes appointments for long and earnest discussion.

Papa Ma will reproduce the past for ever and ever. No problems.

Papa Teariki will offer a new future. Challenging and disturbing. Plenty problems, bro'.

Word has it that the election was over on Monday night when ADC nailed down the Demos in Teenui for Coalition. Whether it's true or not, the dramatic return of a scowling, ashen-faced Norman on Wednesday is already said to have hammered the nail in deep and hard.

With the Demos gone and Coalition Chairman Mataki Kaiaruna (ADC Chairman) reportedly delivering to Mariri at least three fifths of the CIP's, the only honest question is: "what's to be the extent of the awful damage?"

There's only four of us at Teariki's by seven. On the bench. Head down. Listening to the Coalition transport roaring down to Areora!

Word comes from down there at long last.

Tura Koronui (Norman's

opponent) has sent down his man to bring the terrible tidings.

"Hopeless," he announces. "Coalition by miles! 165-113 to Norman. 120-37 to Mariri."

Thirty Seven! In a 50-50 CIP/Demo seat!

Hardly a comment.

Teariki swallows. Makes a gesture in his notebook. Fiddles with the tiny transistor radio which is the only contact left with the outside world and hope!

Another Coalition van drives by. Swiftly. Urgently. You can smell the triumph in its exhaust.

Two mamas arrive, two small plates in their hand wrapped in tired and faded tea towels. Emblems of defeat.

"Never mind," calls one, unconvincingly. "Be happy!" and squats in a darkened corner, too dispirited even to take her plate inside.

"Hallelujah," says the other, "praise the Lord!"

You can almost feel the wave of indignation rise in the throat.

"What the hell for?"

For the appalling purgatory of punishment about to descend on the necks of the timorous 37?

For the retribution?

For the mockery?

"Hallelujah! ****!! the Lord!"

An hour and a half goes by.

Tereapii Enua occasionally crackles through CIBNC's mindless musical coverage.

"Be patient!" she urges.

By now it's dark and very cold.

"Oh shut up, Apii!" comes a voice.

"She sounds cheerful, though," says another, "and they're Party!"

The first voice is sharp and dismissive.

"No, they're not. They've changed. They're all coalition now!"

No one argues.

Electoral Officer Andr-

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AML

AFTER WORK WEEK-ENDS TONIGHT



COME
TO
AUNTIE
KURA

WELCOME

FROM THE PREVIOUS PAGE..

ew Turua breaks in on the air with another plea for patience.

"He's government," notes a voice in the dark.

"Of course he is. He the Electoral Officer."

"No I meant he's Coalition. He's Matepi's mate these days. Their hostel people told me!"

"Well, he didn't used to be."

"Well, he is now," the voice claims knowledgeably.

"Perhaps he doesn't want to give out the results then because the government's lost!" offers a brief micro-second of hope.

"That's right! You always get delays from CIBNC if the government's lost!"

The microsecond turns into a macrominute! The first joke arrives.

"Andrew's giving them time to go and empty their files before the new government moves in!"

A dark philosophical voice from the back restores the original gloom.

"No one knows who's for anyone these days. You just got to make up your mind and stick to it. And then pray you're right. Like gambling. Not like the old days. Then you knew who everyone was."

Finally, the nightmare ends.

The perceptive ones have taken refuge in analysis.

It doesn't help much but it keeps the mind occupied and away from the terrifying prospects of a Coalition landslide.

"If Atiu's held like that, it goodbye to the rest of the Outer Islands."

"Even Vaine in Mauke, maybe."

"Not possible!"

"Well, anyway, it looks like Ngatupuna'll get in for Mitiaro now, and maybe Matepi and

Piri in Mangaia."

"Still, Pukapuka and NZ they'll still be dead sure."

Everyone agrees on that.

"Hallelujah!" calls a mama.

At last, the conch shell breaks through and Andrew Turua at long, long last says he's ready with some results from Raro.

Silence.

A cloud stops dead in its tracks across the face of the moon!

Pencils, pens and paper poised....

And Andrew still goes on with his explanatory remarks.

And on...

And on...

And then in Maori...

E TUATAU UATU!!!!!!

"For God's sake, Andrew!" comes a call.

"Praise the Lord!"

"Maniania, mama!"

The first result comes through.

It is Tupapa.

Thank God, as was found out later from CIP HQ, it wasn't the first they heard in Raro...Ngatangia with its crushing win to the Coalition!

Praise the Lord!

No one can add up. Even those with all the charts and stats laid out in front of them. The announcement alone can bring the surge of relief.

...Dan Kamana 316.

It's a minority. Dan would have lost against all the others put together. But who cares!

Papa Dan, you're the gift from above. Heaven sent you, Papa Dan!

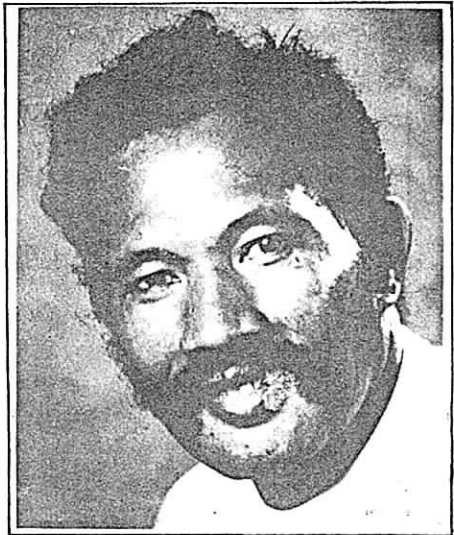
Hallelujah! Praise the Lord.

"That means Geoff is home in Takuvaive. And Rei Jack in Avatiu," note the sages estimating the carry over into the neighbouring Te Au O Tonga constituencies.

"And Vincent could make it in Nikao," said another, calculating the effect upon the odds for CIP's election partner heading the Demo Tumus.

Geoff comes next in the biggest majority in CIP's electoral history on Raro.

Then even the Ngatangia setback is academic only.



Areora/Tengatangi/Ngatiarua CIP candidate Tura Koronui, as it turned out probably the bravest of all candidates. Given no publicity at all by CIBNC and subject to a massive campaign of intimidation, defamation and disinformation. Still smiling!

"That means the Shorts have gone for Coalition," notes a sage.

"That means the Shorts have gone..full stop!" adds a sager sage.

(Ref: The reference was to Tui-ngariki Short, Secretary of Education, Chairman of CIB, Head of Civil Aviation, businessman, property owner and widely regarded as one of the most politicised non-candidates in the country for many years.)

Suddenly, the moonlight brightens. Teariki's verandah is full of smiling faces.

Geoff's result brings a cheer.

The mamas crowd in on the two large mats spread out on the verandah.

Children begin to blow up the balloons they had begun to think were forbidden toys.

Teenage girls rock babies to sleep.

An old man who's been hunched over the back of a chair for well on two hours looks up and a smile breaks out across his old tired face.

You never see these CIP's normally.

They are the last of the diminishing few in this constituency.

Thirty seven only voted for Teariki, stuck by the party most of them have followed for over thirty years.

Old mamas, most of them. A few very old papas. Almost no mapu at all.

The poor, mainly. The ones no one even thought to pay off, goes the malicious thought.

But the senses are aroused now. The scent of tipani is heavy in the air. The smell of...maybe...maybe...a win.

And, as the old man repeats, there's still Pukapuka and NZ...for sure!

Tiki gets a whoop for Titikaveka. Mataio another for Matavera.

A groan greets Mitiaro and a sigh of calm relief follows Mauke. There's a pattern now.

The North stays with Pupu. Expected, even though some have outside hopes for Manihiki.

Then comes Arorangi and the whoops and shrieks are the loudest yet.

"The Coalition cannot win," calls a voice.

"Not unless they take the rest!"

"No Way!"

The

"No way!"

Mangaia brings the Tumu win for Nooroa Samuel and the verandah explodes.

"It's over! They can't win."

Fear falls off thirty seven shoulders like a blanket casually discarded.

People stand. They stretch. Songs drift through from the back garden where the homebrew barrel has been opened.

Someone's dancing on the table.

The food is waiting.

And the prayers.

And the exhortations to be graceful winners and not to boast in public.

The speeches flow.

A policeman checks in and stays to laugh and



Teenui/Mapumai CIP candidate Teariki Simiona ran a campaign based entirely upon economic issues, the restoration of truth and information and clean government. He attacked no personality. He received no

smile and have a bite.

"Be happy! Not to worry!"

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord. God bless you Geoff and Vince!

And NZ still to come.

NZ for sure. For sure....!



COVER STORY

NO WAY

The JOURNAL has been totally neutral in its coverage of political events over the last 18 months in so far as allegiance to one or other of the various national parties or factions is concerned.

Norman George's enemies have attacked us hard. Norman George's friends have attacked us hard.

All along we have given our profound thanks to Norman George, Geoffrey Henry and Vincent Ingram who, even though strongly disagreeing sometimes, have never pressured us nor refused us information or personal views.

After his conduct towards people on Atiu after the election, people who have never attacked him personally in any way whatsoever but who may have chosen to denounce policies of his

government on the one hand or exercise their free right to vote or not vote on the other, the JOURNAL is of the opinion that Norman George has forfeited all right to be included in a list of those acknowledged to be champions of free expression.

It had been hoped that our unique election night coverage would have included identically approached impression pieces from both camps.

Under extreme duress, it was decided that the JOURNAL and/or any representative of it could only approach the Coalition "camp" in fear.

Consequently and regrettably, the above and preceding article on election night in Atiu is based solely on impression from the CIP camp.

friends and rea-

ders on the Coalition side we offer great regrets that our coverage is obviously one-sided.

The JOURNAL would like to commend the leadership shown by Messrs John Akava and Ina Teiotu and Paretoa in instilling discipline and goodwill among the CIP supporters and Messrs. Paratainga, Kaiaruna, Kapao and Moe Boaza for the gentlemanly and honourable way they restored proper community relations with those who did not support their cause.

Unlike some, they and us live together on the island of Atiu. Bitterness and recrimination makes life unliveable in our small community.

It is another matter for those whose home is a long way from the hatred they try to arouse...a long, long way. In Titikaveka, for example.

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That is why many Atiu-ans join with those CIP members who remember with gratitude the special time taken by Geoffrey Henry and Vincent Ingram to visit them and say, especially to Vince.... "You have been honest in stating your hopes to rebuilding the Demo Party but as far as ever dealing with the leader of the Demo-Coalition' faction on Atiu, we say yet again..

NO

WAY

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Wireless
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Cook Islands News is a sister publication. Editor Alex Sword and General Manager Arthur Taripo are personal friends and they have always given this little paper a lot of moral support and encouragement.

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We do not blame them for the media disgrace of the South Pacific which saw our national broadcasting services BANNED from publishing political news all but two miserable weeks of a two month campaign period.

Neyer can a media unit have so destroyed the concept of free speech and expression...and then had the gall to publish a self-congratulatory story on its coverage of the most vital event in the lives of the people over the previous five years.

The audacity is breathtaking. The nerve is outrageous.

Elsewhere in the 3rd World journalists are being arrested, being deported, being executed for relentlessly maintaining the people's right to information.

And in the Cook Islands..?

Hundreds of thousands of taxpayers' dollars spent on a media service which bans the taxpayers' right to know anything other than personality snippets about 93 candidates in 12 printed days....

And any real information left to the accident

of two hand-to-mouth private publications... one edited by an employee fired by CIBNC.. and the other edited by an internationally recognised writer once banned by CIBNC!

And the Act of Parliament by which the taxpayer is guaranteed proper coverage...?

The CIBNC Act which requires of its editorial policy makers the dissemination of news which is "IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST".

That is our CIs. media bible. IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST!

The Board of CIBNC appear to have defaced and fouled that bible.

The JOURNAL asks for an independent Parliamentary Commission on the conduct of CIBNC during the recent election period. To ensure that this never happens again.

This...?

Oh yes...maybe you feel that we are exaggerating. Getting carried away.

Yes...?

CIBNC - THE SHAME

Dear
Editor,



I would once again like to exercise my right to defame and put the boot into anyone I feel like insulting and to cast racial slurs on all Roger Malcolms and their conniving silk and Bryds. kia Oran? Goodbe with you T.

Well, read on. And study carefully the following alleged "LITANY OF LIES" published under editorial approval and sanction

(no bye-line-therefore ENTIRELY the responsibility of the editorial staff of CIBNC) and ask yourselves just how much of this sort of thing was going on during the election and is STILL going on.

Over the weekend of January 13-16 a CIBNC accredited staff reporter arrived on Atiu, Mr. John Akarauara.

He stated widely that his object was to cover political events on Atiu and to pick up any other news going.

He was accorded guest treatment by all, including top CIP supporters. Mr. Roger Malcolm of AML Ltd., a CIP supporter, found him transport, film when he ran out, entertainment and several top-class non-political stories.

These stories included the first ever Motor-Cross Rally on Atiu and a packed Ninja Contest Night.

Immediately on his return Mr. Akarauara filed one single story. It was one to which he had been alerted and later informed about by Mr. Malcolm.

The story is as follows:

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A. LEGAL DOCUMENT IN ASHES

A successful meeting with the coalition supporters on Atiu had a sour ending for Mr Norman George prior to his departure for Rarotonga on Saturday afternoon.

Atiu businessman Roger Malcolm served Mr George with a court summons relating to an alleged \$8,000 legal fee charged to the people of Atiu and incurred by Mr George in relation to Enuamanu Incorporation.

The summons was a joint charge by Mr Malcolm and CIP

candidate Mr T. Koronui. Mr George refused to accept Mr Malcolm's document.

Mr Malcolm then tossed the document at Mr George's feet and walked away. The whole incident took less than thirty seconds.

Mr George said Mr Malcolm's actions "lent to the malicious" and he would not be intimidated.

The document was later seen in ashes on the main road.

I KNOW FOR CERTAIN THAT THAT GHASTLY, VINDICTIVE, MALEVOLENT, EVIL TURA KORONUI OFFERED AREORA MAHI A FLYINGFISH!!



Let us now look at this same reporter's (bylined) article on 24.1.89, again on the subject of Mr. George (with whom he would appear to have a very close relationship) in terms of acquiring special George stories).

Under the astoundingly self-serving headline, "A Gentleman", Mr. Akara-uara produces a story which brought the description "vomit-making" from one Atiuan reader.

Once more accusing Tura Koronui of vindictiveness, Mr. George (plus glamour pix) promotes himself with all the virtues of humility, graciousness, and decency which go with the self-styled overworked, family-loving martyr.

The following cable received United Nations Volunteer Dr. Suresh Vatsyayann offers the truthful and ghastrly reality behind this CIN/Akaauara/George horseshit!

Great Moments in Human Dignity

Brooding over his post-election "losses" (NOT as an Atiuan representative but as a man apparently consumed by the fires of ambition) Norman George lashed off a couple of cables on Tuesday which effectively deprived his people of their doctor, their dentists, their College Principal and their proud new Form Seven.

Dr. Suresh Vatsyayann, a UNV with no part ever played in Atiuan politics was told he would no longer be tolerated on "my" island and that his career and livelihood (in effect) would be calculatedly destroyed by Mr. George personally!

Great Loser...OUR MAN!

Dr. Suresh, a model UNV servant and a devoted friend of the people of Atiu, has played no part in any way at all in Atiuan politics and, in spite of being pressured by friends, refused to vote...stating "Atiu's affairs are not mine. I will not cancel the vote of an Atiuan."

B. NORMAN GEORGE FOR DEMO-CIP COALITION

CIBNC disinformation on a gigantic scale, we believe, helped Coalition hang on in the OIs. while being wiped out in Raro. ABOVE: Two flagrant examples...one in defiance of a court ruling on the use of "CIP".

The above "story" is completely fabricated in five factual instances:

(i) The summons was for \$47,000 on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm for damages relating to alleged defamation in a news article of April 1988 issued by, allegedly, Mr. George.

(ii) No legal fee charged to the people of Atiu is in any way, shape or form part of the summons.

(iii) The Enuamanu Land Incorporation has no relevance whatsoever to this news item.

(iv) Mr. T. Koronui (calculatedly described as "CIP candidate") has no involvement whatsoever with this story.

(v) Mr. Malcolm's actions were taken, we are reliably informed, on the instructions of his lawyers on the advice of the Registrar. In no way can they be described as malice.

We note the following:

a. No attempt was made by the reporter to verify this story with those attacked by Mr. George as malicious.

b. The report was inserted at a time when no possible rebuttal could be issued before the election.

c. It is written entirely around the self-interested report of Mr. George.

d. Mr. Malcolm wrote an immediate rebuttal to CI

News in a \$15 cable. It still has not been published.

e. The reporter had plenty of other Atiuan news, none of which has been published.

We allege the report to be plainly fabricated and to bear no resemblance to the truth behind the article.

With no attempt to verify a story damaging to both Mr. Malcolm and Mr. Koronui, we believe readers will be persuaded, with us, that the fabrication is wilful.

What is its purpose?

1. To arouse public sympathy for Mr. George just prior to the voting as a defender of the people of Atiu's interests against the malicious Mr. Malcolm.

2. To falsely include Mr. Koronui and associate him with hostile interests towards the people of Atiu.

3. To continue again to blacken the name of Mr. Malcolm...in the same way as CINews (through its letters column) has permitted George-aided Tepou Boaza to do in at least one grossly slanderous letter, in our view.

4. To associate the CIP with false accusations of malice and unfair treatment of Mr. George.

The JOURNAL editor received a similarly outrageous cable which, in view of our exceptionally fair treatment of Mr. George at all times, we regard as beneath contempt.

Both letters have been handed to the police and to lawyers.

It is understood that Mr. Malcolm is considering what action to take regarding the CIN report of 17.1.89.

Our point is....

1/ How much more of this sort of "reporting" has gone on?

2/ Will the staff of CIN manage to perform the considerable task now of lifting up their heads at the next SP media conference and looking anyone in the face without self-disgust?

Of course, Alex and Arthur and all our mates do have our sympathy. Sincerely. We hope they have learned. And we call upon senior CIs journo Arthur Taripo to take the first step in restoring press dignity by rectifying the anti-Malcolm story of 17.1.89 and by convening an early meeting of all journo in the CIs.

with a view to associating en bloc in order to stand up to the P. Tangatas etc of this world once and for all!

As for some of the other "services" provided by CIBNC to Atiuans in "the public interest", we offer the following:

1. Of all the candidates standing in the Cook Is., conspicuous by his total absence in views, background or opinions was none other than Mr. Tura Koronui... guess what, the opponent of none other than Mr. Norman George.
2. Similar treatment, or non-treatment was offered Mr. Teariki Simiona, the opponent of Mr. George's Coalition partner, Mr. Mariri Paratainga... the man who says he doesn't believe in newspapers. Especially for his opponents!
3. Mr. Roger Malcolm was subjected to a barrage of racist invective and downright untruths in the CIN letters column by Mr. Tepou Boaza, aide to... guess who.. Mr. Norman George.
4. Mr. Tura Koronui was subjected to a similar barrage of innuendo and misreporting and, on no occasion, was accorded the right of reply.

Why ?

Mr. Malcolm and Mr. Koronui are political opponents of...guess who...Mr. Norman George!

As CIBNC will note elsewhere in this issue, Mr. George's reaction to losing, not his seat, and his chance to represent his Atiu people, but his highly profitable Foreign Affairs portfolio is, in our view, both deranged and of unparalleled savagery.

CIBNC has made itself party to the grossest misuse of the media in the history of CIs. politics, in our view



Norman George..Evidence appears to be mounting that it was OUR MAN who was largely instrumental in the process of disinformation fed the public by CIBNC.

BELOW: Peace and Harmony - Atiu Style!

CIBNC WE REALLY POUR IT ON

LEFT TO RIGHT:
1. Tepou Boaza (Ministerial Aide) Once again given carte blanche to slander a white CIs. citizen. No attempt to find out facts.
2. Fabricated reports from Atiu George in support of N.
3. Self-serving statements by N. George...who later printed without the knowledge of names listed, including CIP's!

Today a very small group backed by a monopoly minded greedy papaa businessman and Geoff are trying to wedge, to take away the peace, harmony and togetherness that the people of Atiu and their two members, Norman George and Papa Mariri are proud to offer others. I am also proud to say that the efforts by Geoff and his few in Atiu are a waste of time.

They said we are a people who have experienced set backs, being enemies of each other through fighting one another politically. Families and friends were split, you are always at a risk losing your job, our young people leave our shores because of lack of opportunities and for fear of victimisation, by political enemies "

As to recent criticisms levelled at him during political meetings of his opponents he says "I can do as good a job as they can but I'm following the advice of my people who have told me not to lower myself to their level."

The elected Committee for Papa Mariri are:

Mataki Kaiaruna - Chairman
Kapao Kapao - Secretary
Tungane Uperi, Tangata Tanga,
Upoko Simpson, Mrs Tere T.
Fataio, Mrs Nga. T. Veiao,
Teina Upoko, Murare Iona, Mrs
Murare Iona, Mrs Tekao John,
Mrs Teremana Mingi, Mrs
Upokoina Ruaui, Tuakana T.
Mataio, Rouru Tokorangi, Arua
Tanga.

The elected Committee for Hon. Norman George are:

Ngatamiriki Manu - Chairman
Vainepoto Nodura - Secretary
Tangi Vainepoto - Treasurer
Moetaua Boaza, Ra Touna, Teaira
Potoru, Porio Muka Kea, Junior
Vainerere, Mrs Kakau Bob, Manu-
arii Mokoroa, Bobby Touna, Kau
Henry, Roi Viti, Mrs Nuku Henry,
Mrs Teremana Paratainga, Paratainga Mariri, Mata George, Mrs
Pakura, Mrs Ina Tutaka, Rahera
Vavia Ngatamiriki, Tuaine Rakei
Ina Teiotu Tangatapoto, Mrs
Tereura Williams.

YOUR LOCAL GOVERNMENT DEFAMATION AND DISINFORMATION SERVICE

A Gentleman —

"It justifies my love and adoration of my people reflects a happy Norman George returned parliamentarian for the Tenganangi-Areora-Ngatiarua constituency of Atiu.

"My biggest problem is hiding from my supporters," says Mr George as on several occasions in order to get some privacy he has had to lock himself in his room.

"It's a long way to the caves," he further quips.

"I am disappointed my opponent did not bother to congratulate me."

"I am a gentleman before and even more so after the event."

By John Akarauara

Mr George commented that his opponent had mounted a vigorous and vindictive campaign right up to the eve of the election night.

"He was supplying tuna and flying fish to which I am not complaining as it contributed to the health and well being of my people," Mr George said.

Asked what he would do now that he was in the opposition, Mr George replied, "I intend to devote a large amount of my time to my electorate and with my family."

"The burden of the country as a whole has been lifted from my shoulders and I feel ten feet tall," he said.



Norman George - I am a gentleman before... even more so after.

**HAPPENED
TO THE
DREAM?**

The actions of Mr. Norman George and his government colleagues drove two law-abiding Atiuan families, against their family and professional interests into active political participation in the recent General Election.

They were by no means the only Atiuan families but they were distinguished by the fact that in both cases the family head was a white immigrant, a full CIs. citizen.

At no time did they ever work in collusion.

One family, the Malcolms, were ex-Demos and George

supporters whose interests as business persons lay in maximum neutrality.

The other, the family of JOURNAL editor David Lewis, had a marked vested interest in total political neutrality as a recognised political commentator preparing to write a book on the elections.

Both Mr. Malcolm and Mr. Lewis maintained absolute neutrality in their jobs.

Mr. Malcolm's AML list of kaiou holders is scrupulously non-partisan. His record of help to Atiuans is similarly so.

(SEE NEXT PAGE)

GENTLEMAN?

ABOVE LEFT: CIN article by alleged tame George-reporter John Akarauara published on the same day as the notorious cables were sent.

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DAVID LEWIS
ATIU

YOUR COWARDLY COVERT POLITICAL ACTIVITIES ON ATIU WILL NO LONGER BE TOLERATED STOP I SHALL ENSURE THE WHOLE ISE- AND AND THE WHOLE COUNTRY IS AWARE OF YOUR ACTIONS WHY YOU CANNOT STAY AWAY FROM POLITICS I CANNOT UNDERSTAND STOP YOUR VOLUNTARY DEPARTURE WILL SAVE US BOTH MANY PAINS BUT IN THE ABSENCE OF THIS ENJOY THE FIGHT DO NOT FORGET YOUR GUEST STATUS THERE IS OVER AND SO OUR FRIENDSHIP

NORMAN GEORGE MP

Mr. Lewis' immediate response: See "LAST WORD OF ALL" P.16.

(LEFT: One of two cables received and disseminated widely on Atiu on 24.1.89. The other was addressed to UNV Doctor Suresh Vatsyayann. It is understood that the one addressed to Dr. Suresh - a cable even more threatening than the one to Journal Editor and Atiu College Principal David Lewis - has been passed to United Nations authorities for action. Mr Lewis' has been handed to legal authorities)

The JOURNAL alleges that, as well being a sad reflection upon the state of mind of a political loser, there is strong

evidence to suggest that the menacing tone of both cables, the demand for removal coupled with identical terms used to Mr. Roger Malcolm of AML, all have their roots in allegedly illegal actions by an Atiuan company involving the ex-Minister of Foreign Affairs. The JOURNAL will present evidence of this in full following the conclusion of court action due on February 10th involving Mr. Malcolm's defamation suit against Mr. George, an action which we understand may involve the affairs of the ADC and AML companies the two parties belong to.

OUR



The Norman George media blitz to compete with Geoffrey Henry's "leadership profile" often seemed to readers to reach ludicrous heights as in this CIN ad.

FROM THE PREVIOUS PAGE..

Mr. Lewis' school is regarded as a model of scrupulous non-politicisation.

Their approach to the election was poles apart.

Mr. Malcolm expressed minor interest in the national struggle as his forced intent had to be to protect himself against the massive attacks made on him by Mr. George.

Mr. Lewis, by contrast, had no problem with Mr. George. When requested he offered him advice and help and offered personal support to fellow MP Mariri Paratainga in recognition of the MP's support for the education programme on Atiu.

Mr. Lewis' problem was with national Coalition policy and alleged moves by Mr. George's associates and colleagues to ruin him.

Both families ended up solidly behind Mr. Geoffrey Henry's CIP first out of desperate needs to survive and eventually out of conviction and faith.

How could Mr. George permit former supporters and friends to face

total professional ruin at his hands?

How could the career of a United Nations' doctor be calculatedly menaced...a doctor who carried neutrality to the extent of refusing even to vote!

How could two Atiuan women prepared, unlike Mr. George, to spend their lives on Atiu be threatened and intimidated on their own island?

How could a Minister of the Crown blindly heed the advice of low-level cronies and an aide who opened up all his house problems by displaying his Minister's private building blueprints to political enemies in a Raro bar and on Atiu?

How could a CIs. politician so debase CIs. politics nationally and internationally by breaking every loser's golden rule in his post-election conduct?

It is heavily rumoured that Mr. George is almost certainly ruined politically and in the same personal and family trouble he was about to witness inflicted, without a qualm, on his former friends and supporters.

What, then happened to the Prime Ministerial dream?

Had Mr. George taken advice given in his and his family's interest back in late November (for which Mrs George offered grateful and heartfelt thanks) he would have spent the election period on Atiu.

He would have assumed the role Papa Ta Simiona often said he should do...that of a young learner to the game of leadership with a long way to go to "metua" status.

He would have promoted Atiuan issues and, highlighted a very defensible record (see JOURNAL 40) with no need for any personal attacks.

He could have gone back to Nikao as leader of an opposition ready to challenge hard on the issue the CIP did NOT solve...the Outer Islands solutions. He would have thus become a valued and trusted asset to Drs. Macate and Robati and even Mr. Henry and Mr. Ingram would have had a

hard job challenging him on CIs. issues.

Instead, he chose arrogantly to challenge Messrs Henry and Ingram on their own turf, take on Mr. Henry in the personality cult stakes, expose himself to a sophisticated Raro public who were sick of him and his corrupt coalition (as he had been warned!).

He chose to boast of his wealth and possessions.

He became a millstone round his colleagues' necks.

He tried to set up his own candidates...after a single term in office!

He took on Mr. Henry's slick professional media campaign and thought he could beat it on his own.

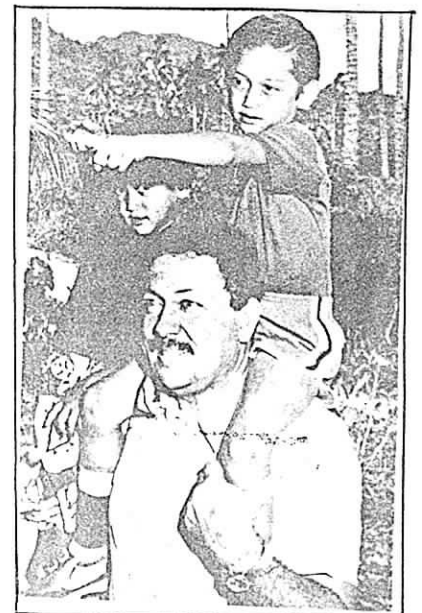
He became the ringmaster of a team of clowns and instead of whipping them out of the Big Top, decided to set the lions on those who could help him.

No class, man. None.

Pupuke showed class in defeat. Geoffrey oozes it even when things are going bad. Vincent and others absorb the punish-

SEE THE NEXT PAGE

MAN



Alone among MP's, Mr. George threw his whole family into the deep end in an astoundingly miscalculated pitch for the vote...in Rarotonga!!!

ment and accept with dignity. Terepai can handle it all.

The Malcolms and the Lewis', too, had full contingency plans for an exit with class.

John Scott has always had it.

It's what makes CIs. politics as civilised as any the world over.

Norman's role is that of the brutal coup leader.

Bush African, man. Where you dump opponents down the nearest well and call out the tanks if you lose.

So why did he behave that way?

In the next few weeks, the JOURNAL will set out the gigantic conspiracy we believe was behind it all.

It's a conspiracy which Geoffrey Henry is reported to have described as the "most brilliant piece of CIs. political corruption ever."

If we are right, it will show that by January 19 1989, Norman George had built a trap for himself from which he and others had no hope of emerging unless he rapidly became the Prime Minister

Keep reading.

It's a great novel.

And we think it's true!

Thus the two amazing and menacing cables received on Tuesday are sent by a man whose dream had begun to take on nightmarish qualities.



Geoffrey Henry
Leader of the Cook Island Party

Professionalism and class. The media and ad programme promoting Geoffrey Henry satisfied a deep hunger in Rarotonga for something that looked like pure "quality".

EDITORIAL COMMENT

The Norman George cables present a challenge to the impartiality of the JOURNAL in future.

We are up to it.

The cable to Mr. Lewis was handed to lawyers for purely protective measures and because it amounted, in my view, to an infringement of my rights to the franchise and to my rights as a Cook Islands citizen.

As far as the personal attack is concerned, I note a sound professional comment to me from Mr. Ingram...of whom from a family point of view, we are all pretty proud

(even though Mr. Ingram acknowledges a large gulf between the JOURNAL and him on economics and welfare).

He said once, "if you want to play (or write) with the big boys, welcome. But don't cry if it hurts!"

So, fair go, Norm! My skin, and the JOURNAL's, get tougher by the blow. I'm sure there's plenty saying I get everything I deserve!

The rules are:

- *No threats to family.
- *We've all got to live together afterwards.
- *No racism, mate.
- *Dirt (as your mate

Helen Wong found out) rebounds on the thrower!

Good Luck in the comeback.

We'd like to say we're right behind you. It's safer than being in front!

Extra Rule..UNV's are NOT part of the game.. ...friend?

vera

ALWAYS THE INDEPENDENT



TRUTH!



Yes, the JOURNAL's feeling revoltingly smug! Hardly surprising, though!

In 24 electorates, in many of which one family or a half a dozen votes switching hands can decide the seat...and on an CIs. with no telex, fax call telephone and twice a week post...we gave readers twenty of the 24 seats named and a final poll, the results of which were identical to the final polling night tally:

CIP 12
Coalition 9
Tumus 2
Independent 1

...to CIBNC (fed on

Coalition disinformation?) and called Tiriamate Ngatokorua (Ivirua) a Coalition candidate...even though in Issue 39 (12.1.89) we stated...

"Tiriamate Ngatokorua is an Independent from Ivirua, free to take his people in any direction which serves their interests!"

Remarkable?

Like to know how we did it and how we knew that (more than the CIP's did) Dr. Maoate was safe in Ngatangia, Nooroa Samuel was in in Oneroa, Joe Haupini was not in up North and that the CIP's would miss out in the OIs. hunt?

And why we missed in

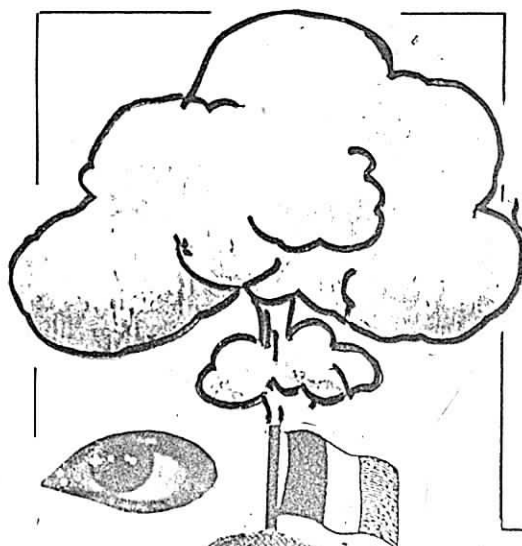
We'll have it all laid out in our next issue plus an analysis of the shifting patterns of CIs. politics over the last 18 months.

Incidentally, we gave CIP campaign manager Henry Puna his cabinet list two days before it was announced...but something tells us he knew all along..and, in fact, the PM didn't just blindly follow our list, even though it proved identical to his!

LIFE ON THE OTHER

vera tikai

SIDE OF PARADISE
WEEKLY REVUE



Le
French
View



OFFICIEL

G

reat sanglants barrells de Beaujolay, mes amis! Qui would ever have believed le. All les rollicking nuits at le Crazy Horses ogling les formidables frog knockers, les best sur le planet...All les jolis apres-booze-up afternoons dans le Muroroa spa pool...All les abominables hangovers wondering where nous have left le incroyable cheque for les frog zillions...All allez'd avec le wind, eh. Oh la la. Le ghastly Coalition est mort. Vive men Jeff le Chef et le incroyablement tricky Grand Duc Vincenet le Invincible, le veritable Asterix de Panama! Toutle best. Le. Grand Frog!

Wets

UNIONS



The repressed working class is rather like a camel with five humps...80% redundant and 20% a huge joke.
-CAPITAL PUNISHMENT WEEKLY (Sports Section)

Maggie's Message

HALF-MARX

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SORRY LADS I'M AFRAID THE OLD GUYS IN THE KREMLIN HAVE PUT THEIR FOOT DOWN ON THE TOPLESS BOLSHOI BALLET PROPOSAL!

AND THE BURNING

I BELIEVE IT'S TIME WE SHOULD SERIOUSLY CONSIDER MOVING THE TANKS DOWN THERE INTO THE MIAMI GULAG, FELLOWS!



BUSH

BOOOOOOM



le horrible heave-ho

NEWS

international

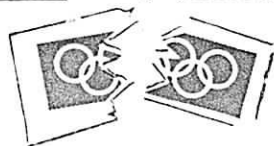


IT'S STILL HELL OUT HERE, MES AMIS!

on this
planet

The polar ice-cap rose a further 0.0000000674mm last night, according to the Radio Erebus weather-forecast. The firm of Nocroa Tryggvorn and Cousins Ltd. Penguin Hunters of 34 The Floe, McMurdoe Sound have been awarded the local Island Council tender to patch up the ozone layer.

14 POWER Games



All the latest Action
...from the mouths of
experts!!!

VICENET THE INVINCIBLE

Says

"Ti for 2
And 2 for Ti
You and we
Would make up 3
And 3 could be
Such companee....

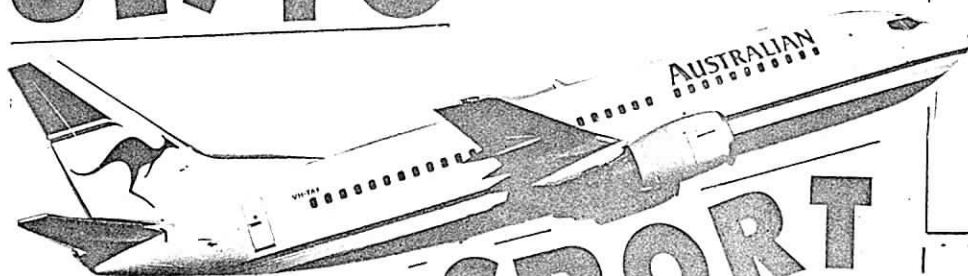
Alltogether now..
Ti for Two-mu
Two-mu for Ti..
etc...."

Er..hum. Sorry about that!
Just humming to myself.
First..my national leadership
address... But before that....
...a brief word as
Chairman of the new
Parliamentary Enquiry
into the activities of those
who were going to conduct a
Parliamentary Enquiry into
the affairs of me!

The brief word is:

****!!*!%!!*!!

JEFFO



SPORT

a

lacker
cash

says

"Watjer-'spect," he says,
wasting no words. Well,
one word, anyway.

"Me, sport?" I says, "I
'specks at least enough
mazoolah for a set of jer-
seys fer the E Grade to
celebrate me new appoint-
ment as national coach, eh."

"No show," says Bondie,
burstin' out into a fit
of the old rhetoric, "yer
red-reds're weaker than
wallaby's wee-wee this
season, Jeffo. The blue-
blues'll squash yer

flatter'n a platypus tit,
blue."

That's the trouble with
Ockers like Bondie, sport.

Dead poetic. But hellish
prejudiced.

See yers.

FORMER

LE GENERAL NORMAL DE GORGE

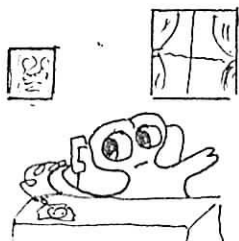
— declares

Grrrrrr! Sppplattt!
Kerpow! Kerrrrrunch!
Boinnng!
Zowee!
Bonkkkkkkkkkkkkkkkkk!

the quorums an everyday tale of political folk

tropo

AUCTION ROOMS?
...YES...THAT'S
RIGHT...16
SAFARI SUITS...



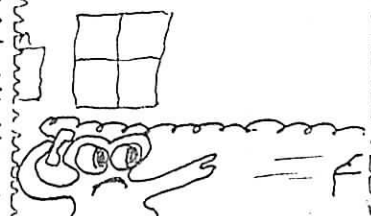
... ONE
RE-POSSESSED
LEARJET....
... 4 HURRICANE
HOUSES....



... 2 CAESAR'S
PALACE SEASON
TICKETS... AND
A GENUINE ANTIQUE
\$14m. FRENCH CHEQUE.



THAT'S CORRECT!
... FIFTY BUCKS
THE LOT!



KOKONUT WIRELESS

There's good news and bad news and news that's sort of in between.

The good news is that the new government's going to start planning a new big-spending programme to put the social services right and send the citizens down the road from the hospital in a slightly more vertical frame of mind.

The bad news is that the new government's bankrupt!

Seems as if the old government got a bit carried away with the cheque book like most of us.

Still that's the way it usually is with former government's bank accounts.

Former governments seem to have this ludicrous habit of going bankrupt just when the incoming government would be all bursting with enthusiasm to hand out the loot...but can't.

The IMF call it an austerity programme, the new government call it a great pity and the new opposition (checking out their newly issued dictionaries of Standard Opposition-speak) call it scandalous, disgraceful, appalling and so forth.

While we're all waiting eagerly for the onrush of Tumu-time come 1994, the in-between news concerns the state of those couple of ice-dancing champs, the Tumu Two or the Tumu Twins, Vince and Nooroa.

Just what is the state of the game down there in Tumuland?

Can they become anything more than an irritating pair of opposition gnats?

Too right they can, says the fiedishly accurate JOURNAL poll.

They've got a damned fine chance of 13 right now... constituencies sitting pretty for 1994.

Which ones?

Try these for size:

Nikao, Ruaau, Ngatan-

NZ, Arcora (minus Norm), Teenui, Mitiaro, Oneroa, Tamarua, Ivirua, Matavera.

What'll it take? Just a bit of a chat or two over the next three years with Vince and Tui and Laveta and Pupuke and the Vainereros.

Oh yes, the Demos will be back!

The Coalition's reckoned to be deadlier than the Manuvai around our circles.

And the land of perpetual opposition in A'ua'u has no future but Tumu Way...e pe!

Meanwhile back in Remuera-by-the-Reef, the hot gossip's flowing out faster than a Coalition cheque account.

Pupuke and Pai stood back to back and told Big Norm to play his snakes and ladders on his own.

Defeated Pa (next homeland CAO?) threatened Pupuke's driver with a black belter if he went near Nooroa.

Ti declared unilateral independence.

And Ben and Nihi's got the Melbourne Cup, the West Indies, the State of Origin and the rising price of tinned roo meat to worry about.

All in all, it's kia orana Geoff. Good on yer bro'. Yer deserve your shot. Let's rally round and give it a go, eh.

Leastways, till round about late 1993!

mapumai leninist league



ABOVE: Papa Karl (182) local taro planter and Patron of the MLL.

Last week saw a gigantic Bring and Buy sale in the Mapumai South precinct.

Members were pleased to be joined by pretty near full-turn outs of Teariki Simione's CIP supporters.

By mid-evening a grand total of seven rollicking bring and buyers were rocking the night away to Ivan Metuakore and his Waltzing Balalaikas.

Feature of the Bring and Buy was a newly discovered Trotskyite who hadn't got a Coalition job and was brought along and bought off.

A lively debate rounded off the evening on the topic "Did Mariri mean it when he told everyone he would join any government that won the election?"

The voting was 7-0 to the noes with one abstention who reckoned Papa Ma had every right not to be a CIP even though he said he was...or wasn't...or would be...maybe.

The evening closed without a prayer.

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THE LAST WORD

MY FARE PAID ME

All I want is a suite somewhere
Far away from the taxpayer's stare
A Bangkok bathgirl big and bare
Oh....wouldn't it be luvrly!

A mink safari suit to wear
A hostess with a mighty pair
To run suggestions through my hair
Oh....wouldn't it be luvrly!

Plenty travellers' cheques to spare
A multiplier factor'd fare
All non-accountably my share
Oh.....wouldn't it be luvrly!

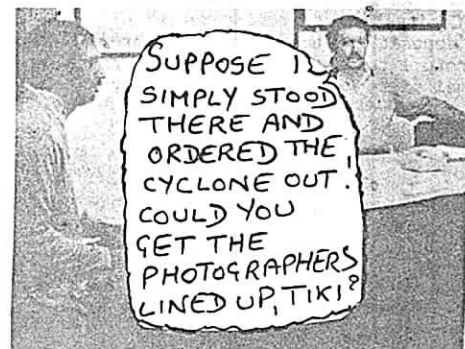
Luvrly!

Luvrly!

VERA

SOUR MAN

...is coolest under



severe pressure

THE LAST WORD

OF ALL

Norman who?

SOUR MAN

believes in good wealth and fitness



Our man believes that experience is important for a good wealthy environment. The wealthiest families are the happiest...

All politicians owe it to the nation to be fit and wealthy to be of service...